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SAIPAN FOR LOS TEAM

JAPANESE PRESS ON MAY 18 QUOTED FORMIN OHIRA AS HAVING
STATED IN LOWER HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE THAT
"JAPAN WOULD NOT OPPOSE 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE" SINCE
THIS WOULD BE TO "RESIST INTERNATIONAL TREND". EMBOFF
QUESTIONED FONOFF LOS OFFICE ON MAY 20 ABOUT OHIRA
STATEMENT. FONOFF SAIDTHAT (1) OHIRA HAD OVER-
SIMPLIFIED GOJ POSITION AND (2) PRESS HAD EMPHASIZED
WRONG POINTS AND GAVE FOLLOWING AS GOJ POSITION ON
ECONOMIC ZONE: BECAUSE IT IS OBVIOUS THAT CONCEPT OF 200-MILE
ZONE IS BEING ACCEPTED BY OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF STATES,
GOJ BELIEVES IT IS FUTILE TO CONTINUE TO REFUSE TO
RECOGNIZE THIS CONCEPT. RECOGNITION OF CONCEPT,
HOWEVER, DOES NOT MEAN THAT GOJ IS ABANDONING ITS
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POSITION ON STRONG LIMITATIONS ON COASTAL STATE

RIGHTS IN ECONOMIC ZONE. FONOFF SAID THAT GOJ IS
REALLY ONLY REPACKAGING SAME BASIC POLICY IN HOPE-
FULLY MORE PALATABLE FORM IN HOPES OF BEING ABLE TO
WORK OUT COMPROMISE WITH OTHER STATES, NOTABLY US. EXACT
POSITION THAT GOJ WILL TAKE ON ECONOMIC ZONE IS STILL
UNDER NEGOTIATION WITHIN BUREAUCRACY BUT FONOFF HOPES
THAT CONSENSUS WILL HAVE FORMED IN TIME FOR DISCUSSIONS
WITH US LOS TEAM ON MAY 24.
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